

Marlow Town Library Trustees' Meeting

January 16, 2023 at the Marlow Town Library

Present: Jill Sanders, Jeanne Kennedy, Linda Fuerderer, Marcia Levesque, Jennifer Brown

Ms Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Secretary's Report

The Minutes were read from the December meeting.

Ms. Levesque motioned to accept the minutes as written.

Ms Fuerderer seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report

Ms Fuerderer said her report was unreconciled, as she had not yet received the banks statements, or invoice for the phone.

She estimated, using receipts provided by Ms Brown.

Ms Fuerderer moved \$1,269.88 from the library checking to savings account.

This returns the monies transferred last year to fund the library until funds from the Town were available.

There is \$2,000 available in checking to fund the library until 2023 budget approved, and monies from town are available for the current year.

Ms Sanders motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. Ms Levesque seconded. Passed 4-0.

Librarian's Report

Ms Brown said the staff is very happy with the new computer, and open network.

Ms Brown shared the proposed budget with the board.

It is \$3 more than 2022.

Money added to programming budget for a couple more expensive programs.

Ms Brown said she had not heard from Assistant Librarian Gayle.

Ms Brown thought Gayle might like to be on the Library Board instead, as Angela is willing to work most Wednesday shifts.

Ms Brown reported the furnace stopped working on Monday, Jan. 9.

Tony Davis came in and contacted Davis Oil Co. Repair men came and quickly fixed the problem.

Ms Brown said she had a Zoom meeting with Finch Rodriguez of Newspaper Archives.

We can qualify for a grant, but there aren't many newspaper in the database from our region. Ms Brown didn't think there would be much interest.

Ms Brown showed the Board the wooden milk bottle crate donated by the niece of former Marlow resident and owner of the mill, Gloria Poole.

Ms Brown sent a letter of thanks to the donor for the crate, and a water color previously donated to the library.

Ms Sanders reported she tried to contact Snow Frye about teaching Chair Yoga.

She never heard from Ms Frye, despite leaving several messages.

The Board decided it might be time to move on. Ms Sanders will look for another qualified instructor.

Ms Brown Presented an ALA grant opportunity.

Discussion ensued regarding the role the library could play in a town-wide health initiative.

It was decided we should send out a survey with the town report, to gauge the Town's needs and interest in a health & fitness initiative.

Ms Brown also presented the Board with a Clif grant opportunity for a story teller for summer reading finale.

Clif wants to ensure at least 35 children will attend. So maybe we should partner with the school or another library.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Next meeting scheduled for February 20, 2023 @ 6:30 pm at the Marlow Town Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Kennedy